

we shall die. That will be easy."

Dr. Ewald Weber, 5375 Lawrence avenue, was called in to make an investigation for the police.

He reported that every member of the family had died of a virulent poison. They had been dead, he said, for about a week.

TAFT REFUSES TO LEND BLIND MAN PALTRY SUM

Executive, Who Himself Received Huge Loan, Turns Down Pathetic Appeal.

Hot Springs, Va., Nov. 4.—A pathetic request for financial backing to the extent of \$2,000 was turned down by President Taft here today.

The request was from a Connecticut man. He asked the President to endorse a note for three years.

"I wish to secure your signature to keep as long as I live," the letter read. "I need the money, as I have been out of work since January 1, when my eyes failed me.

"I think it is more manly to get help this way than to be a public charge."

The writer gave the president such references as the general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. and a minister. He ended his appeal with the postscript:

"There will be no publicity about it."

Enclosed in the letter was a three year note for \$2,000, which wanted only the president's en-

dorsement to make it negotiable.

But that signature will not be affixed.

Instead, the letter was handed to newspaper men, and the president went to play golf.

Yet it is only a few years since Taft became a cabinet minister.

And at that time he was so poor he could not keep up appearances.

So he, or rather his wife, Mrs. William Howard Taft, accepted the interest on bonds for \$400,000 from his brother's heiress wife, Mrs. Charles Taft.

And \$2,000 wasn't much to give to a poor, blind man, unable to earn his own living, was it?

And generosity and charity would be a beautiful thing to come from the man whom 9,000,000 people chose to elevate to one of the highest positions on this earth, wouldn't it?

But the president played golf.

Football Dope.

The most important football game today is between Minnesota and Chicago, at Minneapolis. Wisconsin plays Iowa at Madison. Illinois meets Purdue at Urbana. Michigan meets Syracuse at Ann Arbor.

Today's eastern games: Harvard vs. Princeton; Yale vs. New York; Pennsy vs. Carlisle; Army vs. Georgetown; Brown vs. Tufts.

Carrying letters through the empire for about seven-tenths of a cent, Japan has the cheapest domestic postal service in the world.